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Thursday, December 3, at 10 AM

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Thursday, December 10, at 3:30 PM

(Pre-register at 552-1000)



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## ***HAPPENINGS IN DECEMBER***

### **Ongoing Programs:**

#### **Fit Forever- Lowell**

Each Wednesday: December 2, 16, 23, 30

Each Friday: December 4, 11, 18, 25

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Join a fitness program that includes low impact aerobics as well as toning, strengthening, and flexibility exercises. Co-sponsored by the Lowell Parks Department, the program is led by Physical Fitness Instructor Sonia McPhillips. Fee is \$16 per month.

#### **Library Quilters Meet - Lowell**

Each Monday: December 7, 14, 21, 28

Bring your quilting project and questions to the Library Quilters.

9 AM - 12:30 PM

#### **Free Blood Pressure Screening**

**Lowell** - Tuesday, December 8, 9 AM - 10:30 AM

**Shelby** - Thursday, December 10, 9 AM - 10:30 AM

Screening is conducted on a first come, first served basis by a technician of St. Anthony Medical Center.

### **New Programs:**

#### **Weave a "Frosty" Snowman Basket**

**Lowell** - Tuesday, December 1, at 8:30 AM

Thursday, December 3, at 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 9, at 6:30 PM

**Shelby** - Wednesday, December 9, at 9 AM

Make a charming "Frosty" snowman basket as a winter decoration for your home or as a holiday gift. Bring a bucket, towel, plastic bag, scissors, pencil, tape measure and clothes pins. Fee for this basket is \$24.

#### **Weave a Sleigh Basket- Shelby**

Thursday, December 3, at 9 AM

Tuesday, December 8, at 6 PM

Master Basket Weaver Julie Duttlinger will teach participants to weave this lovely holiday basket. Call for fee information.

#### **CPR "C" Course - Lowell**

Tuesday, December 8, at 6 PM

Katherine Misiore, R.N., and Leon Misiore, E.M.T., will teach the life-saving Adult/Child/Infant CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) Course of the American Heart Association. Fee is \$12 for the general public and \$16 for health care professionals.

#### **Holiday Cookie Exchange - Schneider**

Wednesday, December 9, at 7 PM

Serve delicious cookies at your holiday table.

Come to the "Cookie Exchange" with two dozen of your favorite cookies to exchange with other participants.

#### **Hors d'oeuvres For Your Holiday Table - Lowell**

Wednesday, December 16, at 6 PM

Learn to create marvelous holiday hors d'oeuvres with Chef Vicki of Nellie Jayne's Cafe. Among the delicacies participants will learn to create are: Salmon Mousse, Roquefort Cheese & Grape Hors d'oeuvres, Ham & Pesto Purses, and Lebanese Chick Pea Salad with Pita bread.

You'll dine on the dishes created at Chef Vicki's program including a delicious Chocolate Mousse with Raspberry or Strawberry topping she will teach you to make. Course fee is \$18.

#### **Evergreen Wreath Workshop - Lowell**

Monday, December 9, at 6:30 PM

Holly Keithley will teach participants to make a beautiful Evergreen wreath to decorate their homes for the upcoming holiday season. Fee is \$13.

#### **Learn to Surf the Internet - Lowell**

Individual training, by appointment, is available at the library. AmeriCorps volunteer Jane Stangel will provide individual 90 minute training sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning at 9 AM until 3 PM and on selected Saturdays from 9 AM until 5 PM.

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**Schneider** 552-1000

**Shelby** 552-0809





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Lowell Author on the Net

Indigo Forest  
by John Afanador

Illusion or reality? *Indigo Forest* is Lowell resident John Afanador's first novel. Published on the Internet by 1st Books Library, *Indigo Forest*, set in a fictional, remote locale called Hedgerow Parish, is an exciting, intensely descriptive and thought-provoking book.

A graduate with a degree in philosophy from Indiana University, Afanador completed his Master of Arts degree at Valparaiso University.

Afanador's *Indigo Forest* is one of the thousands of books that are finding a popular home on the Internet. Called virtual, electronic, digital or e-books, these novels can be downloaded as data files from the World Wide Web onto computers of readers throughout the world

Books of all genre-fiction, non-fiction, humor, instructional, spiritual, books, children's literature, etc.- can, for a small fee, be accessed from 1st Books Library and other on-line publishers.

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We Were Asked...

Can you find the "Hail Mary" in a foreign language?

The University of Dayton Internet web site [www.udayton.edu/mary/resources/flhm.html](http://www.udayton.edu/mary/resources/flhm.html) provides the prayer in over 100 languages including several Native American tongues.

Board to Meet

The Lowell Public Library Board of Trustees will hold their regular meeting on Monday, December 21, at 7 PM.

Holiday Closings

The Lowell Public Library and its Shelby and Schneider branches will be closed on Thursday, December 24, and Friday, December 25, in observance of the Christmas holiday.

The libraries will resume regular hours on Saturday, December 26.

New Video Arrivals!

Check out six videos from the library or its Shelby and Schneider branches on Wednesday, December 23, and return them on Monday, December 28. Enjoy viewing some of the over 2000 videos in the library's collection including these new arrivals:

Drama & Comedy

<i>Paulie</i>	<i>Ulee's Gold</i>
<i>The X Files</i>	<i>The Apostle</i>
<i>Hope Floats</i>	<i>U.S. Marshals</i>
<i>Wild Things</i>	<i>Midnight in the Garden</i>
<i>The Wedding Singer</i>	<i>of Good and Evil</i>

Documentaries

*Titanic: the Investigation Begins*  
*Titanic: Anatomy of Disaster*



Free Childhood  
Immunizations

Cedar Lake Clinic

Thursday, December 3, 12 Noon to 6 PM

Schneider Branch Library

Thursday, December 17, 12 Noon to 6 PM

Sponsored by St. Anthony Medical Center

Please bring your child's immunization records.

Note: Immunizations at the Lowell Public Library will resume in January.





## **Here Comes the Gingerbread Man!**

The Shelby Branch Library will hold a special Holiday Craft Corner, on Saturday, December 19, at 1 PM in the lower level of St. Theresa's.

Children of all ages are invited to decorate the "Gingerbread Man." Mrs. Bartz, head of the Shelby Branch has baked up some tasty Gingerbread cookies for the occasion.

Call 552-0809 to register for Craft Corner.



## **Show Time! for YA's (grades 6 - 12)**

**Now Playing: Mutzmag**

**Date & Time: Saturday, December 5, at 2 PM**

**Refreshments: Popcorn & soft drinks served**

View this Appalachian folktale about three sisters who strike out on their own after their mother dies. Mutzmag, the youngest sister, says, "This is my story. It is a scary story, although it's not too scary. As you can see that I'm still here to tell it."

Pre-register at 696-7704 for "Show Time."

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